AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

- 1. (Currently amended) A method for forming bleached Arundo donax pulp, comprising:
- (a) subjecting a furnish comprising Arundo donax particles to a pulping process to provide Arundo donax pulp; and
- (b) bleaching the Arundo donax pulp by a total chlorine free process to provide a bleached pulp, wherein bleached pulp has a brightness of at least about 60% <u>ISO</u>.
- 2. (Original) The method of Claim 1, wherein bleaching comprises the sequence: O(Q)-Eop-P-P-P.
- 3. (Original) The method of Claim 1, wherein bleaching comprises the sequence: O(Q)-Eop-P-Pp-P.
- 4. (Original) The method of Claim 1, wherein bleaching comprises the sequence: O-A-P-P-P.
- 5. (Original) The method of Claim 1, wherein bleaching comprises the sequence: O-Eop-P-Q-P-P.
- 6. (Original) The method of Claim 1, wherein bleaching comprises the sequence: O-Eop-Q-P-P-P.
- 7. (Original) The method of Claim 1, wherein bleaching comprises the sequence: O-Q-Eop-P-P-P.
- 8. (Original) The method of Claim 1, wherein bleaching comprises the sequence: O(Q)-Eop-P-P-P.
 - 9. (Original) Total chlorine free bleached Arundo donax pulp.
- 10. (Currently amended) The method of Claim 1, wherein the bleached pulp has a brightness of at least about 70% ISO.

11. (Currently amended) The method of Claim 1, wherein the bleached pulp has a brightness of at least about 85% <u>ISO</u>.

12-15. (Canceled)